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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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**Proposed Data Collections Submitted for Public Comment and
Recommendations**

AGENCY: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC),
Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) .

ACTION: Notice with comment period.

SUMMARY: The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), as part of its continuing efforts to reduce public burden and maximize the utility of government information, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. This notice invites comment on the proposed revision of the information collection project entitled *National Youth Tobacco Surveys (NYTS) 2018-2020*, which aims to collect data on tobacco use among middle- and high school students.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before [INSERT
DATE 60 DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION DATE IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by Docket No.
CDC-2017-0092 by any of the following methods:

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: Regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- Mail: Leroy A. Richardson, Information Collection Review Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1600 Clifton Road, N.E., MS-D74, Atlanta, Georgia 30329.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name and Docket Number. CDC will post, without change, all relevant comments to Regulations.gov.

Please note: Submit all Federal comments through the Federal eRulemaking portal (regulations.gov) or by U.S. mail to the address listed above.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: To request more information on the proposed project or to obtain a copy of the information collection plan and instruments, contact Leroy A. Richardson, Information Collection Review Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1600 Clifton Road, N.E., MS-D74, Atlanta, Georgia 30329; phone: 404-639-7570; E-mail: omb@cdc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. In addition, the PRA also

requires Federal agencies to provide a 60-day notice in the Federal Register concerning each proposed collection of information, including each new proposed collection, each proposed extension of existing collection of information, and each reinstatement of previously approved information collection before submitting the collection to the OMB for approval. To comply with this requirement, we are publishing this notice of a proposed data collection as described below.

The OMB is particularly interested in comments that will help:

1. Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
2. Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
3. Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
4. Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of

information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

5. Assess information collection costs.

Proposed Project

National Youth Tobacco Surveys (NYTS) 2018-2020 (OMB Control Number 0920-0621, expires 01/31/2018) - Revision - National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion (NCCDPHP), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Background and Brief Description

Tobacco use is the leading cause of preventable disease and death in the United States, and nearly all tobacco use begins during youth and young adulthood. A limited number of health risk behaviors, including tobacco use, account for the overwhelming majority of immediate and long-term sources of morbidity and mortality. Because many health risk behaviors are established during adolescence, there is a critical need for public health programs directed towards youth, and for information to support these programs.

Since 2004, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has periodically collected information about tobacco use among adolescents (National Youth Tobacco Survey (NYTS) 2004, 2006, 2009, 2011, 2012, 2013-2017, OMB Control Number 0920-0621). This surveillance activity builds on previous surveys

funded by the American Legacy Foundation in 1999, 2000, and 2002.

At present, the NYTS is the most comprehensive source of nationally representative tobacco data among students in grades 9-12, moreover, the NYTS is the only source of such data for students in grades 6-8. The NYTS has provided national estimates of tobacco use behaviors, information about exposure to pro- and anti-tobacco influences, and information about racial and ethnic disparities in tobacco-related topics. CDC uses the information collected through the NYTS to identify trends over time, to inform the development of tobacco cessation programs for youth, and to evaluate the effectiveness of existing interventions and programs.

CDC plans to request OMB approval to conduct additional cycles of the NYTS in 2018, 2019, and 2020. CDC will conduct the survey among nationally representative samples of students attending public and private schools in grades 6-12, and administer to students either as an optically scannable booklet of multiple-choice questions or as a digitally-based survey. CDC will also collect information supporting the NYTS from state-, district-, and school-level administrators and teachers. During the 2018-2020 timeframe, changes will be incorporated that reflect CDC's ongoing collaboration with FDA and the need to measure progress toward meeting strategic goals established by

the Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act. Information collection will occur annually and may include a number of new questions, as well as increased representation of minority youth.

The survey will examine the following topics: use of cigarettes, cigars, smokeless tobacco, electronic cigarettes, hookahs, pipes, bidis, snus, and dissolvable tobacco products; knowledge and attitudes; media and advertising; access to tobacco products and enforcement of restrictions on access; secondhand smoke including e-cigarette aerosol exposure; provision of school- and community-based interventions, and cessation.

CDC will continue to use the results of the NYTS to inform and evaluate the National Comprehensive Tobacco Control Program; provide data to inform the Department of Health and Human Service's Tobacco Control Strategic Action Plan, and provide national benchmark data for state-level Youth Tobacco Surveys. CDC also expects the information collected through the NYTS to provide multiple measures and data for monitoring progress on six of the 20 tobacco-related objectives (TU- 2, 3, 7, 11, 18, and 19) for Healthy People 2020.

CDC seeks to request a three-year OMB approval. There are no costs to respondents other than their time.

Estimated Annualized Burden Hours

Type of Respondent	Form Name	No. of Respondents	No. of Responses per Respondent	Average Burden per Response (in hours)	Total Burden (in hours)
State Administrators	State-level Recruitment Script for the NYTS	38	1	30/60	19
District Administrators	District-level Recruitment Script for the NYTS	153	1	30/60	77
School Administrators	School-level Recruitment Script for the NYTS	240	1	30/60	120
Teachers	Data Collection Checklist	973	1	15/60	243
Students	National Youth Tobacco Survey	24,000	1	45/60	18,000
	Testing Activities	150	1	31/60	78
Total					18,537

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